

Medical Command

HEALTH CONSUMERS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

This regulation establishes a Health Consumers' Advisory Council to facilitate bi-directional discussion and ensure there is consumer representation in the forming and implementation of health programs and policy on this base. This directive also applies to tenant organizations.

1. Functions: The 47th Medical Group recognizes the obligations on the part of those involved in patient care to recognize the individuality and dignity of each patient. It is necessary to create and foster relationships founded on mutual acceptance and respect and to create an atmosphere to facilitate communication between health care providers and consumers. The committee provides a forum for medical activities to explain changes necessitated by factors such as staffing shortages or budgetary restrictions. Likewise, consumers are to have an opportunity to express their concerns and introduce for discussion topics of interest to them. The membership is expected to actively participate to the degree of serving on special subcommittees, conducting detailed studies and providing recommendations in support of the objectives. It is not intended that the consumer representatives provide personal opinions and viewpoints. Rather, they are expected to actively communicate with their constituency so as to perform an effective liaison between medical treatment facility personnel and the patient population. The council is advisory in nature only.

2. Membership:

Medical Group Commander (Chairperson)
Chief, Hospital Services
Commander, Medical Support Squadron
Commander, Aerospace Medicine Squadron
Commander, Dental Squadron
Commander, Medical Operations Squadron (Also represents Red Cross volunteers)
Health Benefits Advisor
Health Promotions Program Manager
Medical Group Commander's Secretary (Recorder)

2.1. The following organizations are tasked to provide a representative as a member of the council. Unit commanders or presidents of these organizations are to ensure currency of representation at all times. Copies of letters of appointment should be forwarded to the Medical Group Commander's secretary.

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